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EXAMINER:

FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY**Reference AO (JP 2000-294803) on Form PTO 1449:**

This reference includes the vortex structure in termination field. But the vortex structure is made of poly-silicon on the substrate.

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	AA	5,804,868	09/08/1998	H. KOBAYASHI, et al.			
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	AO	2000-294803	10/20/2000	JAPAN (with English Abstract)	YES	NO	X
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